

"PICKWICK PAPERS" TO BE TOPIC AT WOMAN'S CLUB

Frank Spaight, of England, Well-Known Impersonator, Will Be Speaker.

BLUES RECALL INVITATIONS

Miss Julia Cone and Miss Louise Carrington Are Entertained in Norfolk—Daughters of American Revolution to Hold Reception.

Mrs. Thomas Cary Johnson is chairman of this afternoon at the Woman's Club, when Frank Spaight, of England, the famous impersonator of Dickens' characters, will be heard there. The subject of Mr. Spaight's address will be "Pickwick Papers," and a large and interested audience will fill the club parlors for the event.

The usual informal reception will follow the program of the afternoon.

Visitors Entertained.

Miss Julia Cone, of Richmond, and Miss Louise Carrington, of Charlotte, North Carolina, who are visiting in Norfolk, were guests of honor at a card party Friday afternoon, at which Mrs. Stale Galt was hostess. Auction bridge was played and there were five tables of cards. The house was arranged with pink carnations and ferns.

Miss Lucy Gwathmey, of this city, was among the guests entertained last week by Mrs. Walter Chiles at her home in Louisa. Mrs. Chiles gave an auction bridge party Tuesday evening in honor of her guest, Mrs. Holman Willis, of Roanoke.

Celebration Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gardner celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage very quietly at their residence, 318 West Grace Street, on Saturday, January 30.

Annual Reception.

The Commonwealth Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, have sent out invitations for their annual reception, which will take place at the residence of Mrs. Mary Chiles, 517 West Franklin Street, on Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Leave for Hot Springs.

Miss H. Holtz, who has been quite sick for some time, is going to Hot Springs, Ark. She was accompanied by her son and daughter, Henry Holtz and Miss Bessie Moltz, of this city.

Invitations Recalled.

All outstanding invitations for the full dress drills and dances to be given by the Richmond Light Infantry Blues Battalion on February 19 and March 12 have been recalled, and new invitations will be issued. The battalion regrets the necessity for this action, but the attendance at these dances has been so large that it is impracticable to accommodate all those desiring to dance, and the list will therefore have to be curtailed to some extent.

IN AND OUT OF TOWN.

Miss Nancy Lee Janney is the guest of Mrs. E. Griffith Dodson at her home in Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Barret Snyder, of Ashland, have been visiting Mrs. C. D. Wingfield at her home in Franklin Street.

Miss Lucile Bray, of Wakarusa, who has been the guest of Mrs. Temple Roy here, is now visiting friends in West Point.

Miss Corrie Dudley has returned to her home in Martinsville, after a stay of several months in Richmond.

Miss Mary Ballard, of Walkerton, will come to Richmond shortly to spend a month with friends.

Misses Mary Garland Todd and Mary Meek will go to Bon Air to-morrow to attend the Gilliam-McCluer wedding.

Mrs. James R. Haddock is visiting her sister, Mrs. George L. Christian, Jr., at 222 West Grace Street.

Mrs. D. D. H. Ross and Miss Ross, of Lexington, are guests of Mrs. A. S. Buford at 922 West Franklin Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Helvin-Kruger, who have been visiting the parents of Mrs. Kruse, Mr. and Mrs. Preston Helvin, here, returned to their home in Pittsburgh, Pa., on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Adamson have returned to the Chesterfield, after a trip to Florida.

Mrs. Charles M. Bridges is spending two weeks with Mrs. Henry Bozue in Baltimore.

Mrs. George V. Cameron, of Louisa, spent several days with friends in Richmond last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Raish and Miss Nellie Raish have returned to Harrisonburg, after a visit to Joseph Raish in Richmond.

Miss Virginia Harwood, who has been on a visit to Richmond, has returned to Ashland.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Watkins, of this city, have been spending several days in Chatham.

Mrs. James P. Harcum continues quite sick at her home, 2701 East Broad Street.

Louis Marks left Saturday for New York, where he will spend a week.

Miss Nancy Wyatt, who has been visiting friends in Baltimore and Washington for the past month, returned to Richmond on Saturday.

Parish Trant, of Portsmouth, has been visiting relatives and friends in this city.

Mrs. S. D. Crenshaw, of Richmond, has been a recent guest of friends in Louisa.

Miss Alicia Todd, of Norfolk, and Miss Margaret Mehanan, of Richmond, are spending several days in Smithfield.

Mrs. John L. White, of Bowling Green, has been in Richmond for a stay of several days.

Mrs. J. R. Riddick, of Ashland, has been spending several days in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Garrett, of Bowling Green, have been recent visitors in Richmond.

Miss Lizzie Hill, of Walkerton, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. C. W. Pfeil, in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Moody have returned to Richmond, after visiting friends near Bumpass.

Miss Dorothy Fox, of this city, has been the recent guest of friends in Hanover County.

Robert Brander has returned to the city, after a short stay with Mrs. A. W. Thompson at her home in Louisa.

Miss Stuart Blanton, of Ashland, is the guest of relatives and friends in this city.

Mrs. T. B. Gill has returned to Bowling Green, after spending several days in Richmond.

Miss Florence Chapin, of Sweet Briar, Va., is spending a few days with her parents on Floyd Avenue.

C. C. Chapin, Jr., of Virginia Military Institute, is spending a few days in this city with his parents.

WOMEN'S MEETINGS.

The general board of the Sheltering Arms Free Hospital will meet to-day at noon, instead of the second Monday, as usual. This change is in order to make arrangements for Founders' Day, Friday, February 12, at which time services will be held in the hospital at

SKETCHES FROM LIFE -By Temple



"Ashes!"

noon. Mayor George Ainslie will make the address, which will be followed by a social hour, when light refreshments will be served and visitors will be shown over the hospital.

The Richmond Nurses' Club will meet in the Y. W. C. A. clubroom this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Dr. Robert C. Bryan will address the club at this meeting.

St. John's Circle of King's Daughters will meet this afternoon, at 4 o'clock, with Mrs. Oscar E. Parrish, 2706 East Grace Street. A full attendance is urged, as important business in connection with the mid-winter entertainment will come up for discussion.

The Helping Circle of King's Daughters will meet this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the home of Mrs. Ernest Turner, 205 North Twenty-third Street.

The City Mission will hold its regular monthly meeting at the office of the Associated Charities this morning at 10:30 o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

In the Service of the King Circle of King's Daughters will meet with Mrs. W. H. Roy, 703 North Twenty-seventh Street, this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The meeting of the board of managers of the Baptist Home for Aged Women will be held this morning at 11 o'clock at the Baptist Home. All members are asked to be present.

The regular monthly meeting of the Council of Jewish Women will be held in the Sabbath school room of the Temple Beth Abraham on Tuesday afternoon at 2:45 o'clock. The following is the program for the afternoon: Biblical section, Miss Irene Rosenbaum; general business; address, John S. Munce, on "Irish Folklore and Anecdotes," with Irish songs and ballads, sung by Mrs. Miller. Miss Carrie Clarke accompanied. Social hour. All members and their friends are cordially invited to attend.

SCOUTMASTERS DIVIDE CITY INTO DISTRICTS

Troops in Central Section Meet To-night—Court of Honor Meets Friday.

Scoutmasters of the central district will meet to-night in Seventh Street Christian Church for the purpose of organizing the district, which is bounded by Seventh Street on the East, and Laurel Street on the West. In the district will be Troops 16, 8, 12, 10, 5, 14, 17, 29, 42, 28 and 16. The meeting will begin at 8 o'clock, and after the district commissioner is elected, the policy will be laid down and other forms of organization will be perfected. A similar meeting will be held on Wednesday night in Holy Trinity church, when the troops in the Western district will organize. The troops to participate in the meeting are 1, 2, 3, 33, 29, 34, 35, 37, 48, 9 and 26.

Scout Executive W. J. B. Housman has begun the organization of a troop among the members of the Boy's Club of the Grace Arents School. Fifteen boys have agreed to join the troop, which will be under the leadership of Scoutmaster John Christian. A meeting will be held on Friday night, when the organization will be perfected.

There has been formed among the scouts of the city a Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Scoutmasters. Scoutmaster G. B. Williams, of Troop 1, is president, and other scoutmasters are vice-presidents. This organization was launched at a meeting of Troop 31 on Friday night, and the members of the troop immediately joined. The requirements for membership are simple, each scout promising to be kind to his leader, and to thrash any other scout who violates his promise. Any scout who violates the rules is to be suspended until he receives his medicine, or shows that he is entitled to membership again. Scoutmaster J. R. Walford, of Troop 31, announced that the troop headquarters, which are being repaired, will be ready for occupancy in two weeks. Five new scouts will be initiated by this troop on Friday night.

NEGRO TEACHERS COMING

State Convention Will Be Held in This City, Beginning on March 4.

Great preparations are being made for the annual meeting of the State Colored Teachers' Association, which will be held here for two days, beginning on March 4. Every county will be represented by delegates, and it is expected that several hundred will attend the meetings.

Professor Nelson Williams, Jr., principal of the Fulton School, is the chairman of the entertainment committee. He has 150 teachers and citizens working with him to make the affair a big success. Arrangements have already been made to have the delegates boarded with colored families throughout the city at a nominal sum.

Professor E. A. Long, chairman of

the committee on arrangements, has already secured several speakers of national prominence, and is getting up a program of interest and instruction. Superintendent R. C. Stearns, of the State Department of Public Instruction, will be one of the speakers, the dates having been advanced a week, in order to accommodate him.

VERDICT OF NOT GUILTY

Jury Acquits Men Charged With Subornation of Perjury.

ATLANTA, GA., January 31.—A verdict of not guilty was returned by the jury in Fulton County Superior Court late to-day in the case of Dan S. Lehon, C. C. Tedder and Arthur Thurman, who were tried on charges of subornation of perjury in connection with the Leo M. Frank case. Lehon is Southern manager for the William J. Burns National Detective Agency; Tedder was formerly employed by the agency, and Thurman is a local lawyer.

The trial began on Tuesday, and the case was given to the jury late last night. Judge Ben Hill held a session of the court this afternoon to receive the verdict. Only a few persons besides the lawyers and court attaches were present when the verdict of acquittal was announced.

The three defendants were accused of having procured false affidavits from Rev. C. B. Ragsdale, formerly pastor of a local church, and R. L. Barber, in which the affidavits declared they had overheard James Conley, a negro, tell another negro he had killed a girl in the pencil factory where the body of Mary Phagan was found. Ragsdale and Barber later repudiated the affidavits. Conley now is serving a year's imprisonment as accessory after the murder of the Phagan girl.

The three men were tried on the indictment charging them with bribing Ragsdale. Solicitor-General Dorsey stated that, in view of to-day's verdict, it was unlikely they would be tried on the indictment charging bribery of Barber.

AMUSEMENTS

About the Theatres.

Both stock companies are offering added features this week, of widely different natures.

At the Academy of Music, the La Verne Company's production of the sensational melodrama, "Via Wireless," will include, it is said, a complete wireless outfit. In order to prove that it is a practical, working apparatus, the management promises that it will flash the exact time at 10 o'clock at night. The station at Arlington sends out time by wireless at 12 noon, at 10 o'clock at night, and, if this column's memory is not at fault, at 2 o'clock in the morning. The 10 o'clock time will do for most of us.

By way of making more elaborate its production of "Old Heidelberg," the Grayce-Scott Company will introduce the Richmond College Glee Club, of the best-loved of America's younger songsters. Whether the young singers are to appear in costume as German students, or are merely to sing off-stage, has not yet been stated. In either case, the music will undoubtedly add to the interest of the performances.

Without going into detailed mention of the acts on the Lyric's program for the first part of the week, it is enough to say that there is one turn on the bill that is, in itself, worth twice the price of admission—that of the Arnold Brothers, tumblers and musicians. They will be remembered as the men with Evelyn Nesbit Thaw's show last February, who performed a number of remarkable acrobatic feats, which were rendered yet more remarkable by reason of the fact that they both played violins all the time.

At the Strand, for the first three days of the week, Edith Tallaferro, one of the best-loved of America's younger actresses, will make her debut as screen star, in the Paramount picture feature, "Young Romance," filmed from the play of the same name by William C. De Mille.

"Damon and Pythias," a big, spectacular photoplay, which was booked for the Academy of Music a few weeks ago, will be the Colonial's feature for the first half of the week. It is understood that this is the most spectacular film ever produced in America, most of the great pictures of the class of "Quo Vadis," "Cabiria" and the like, having been produced in Italy.

The announcement of the debut of Annie Kellermann as a musical comedy star, published in this column yesterday, seems to have aroused much interest among theatre-goers and movie fans. Beginning with the performance next Monday night, Miss Kellermann will be seen in "The Model Girl" at the Academy of Music for three days, with a matinee Wednesday.

SCHOOL MEETINGS BRING GRATIFYING RESULTS

Henrico People Gather for Better Acquaintance, and Co-Operation Is Secured.

EACH SCHOOL NOW HAS LEAGUE

Domestic Science Course, Well-Equipped Machine Shop and Night School Established in Fairfield District.

Fairfield District in Henrico County was the scene during the month of January of a series of most interesting and profitable school meetings, which were brought to a close Friday night.

These meetings, happily called "better acquaintance meetings," were planned at the meeting of the Fairfield District School Board in December, and early in January a circular letter was sent to the home of each school child and to many other friends of the schools as could be reached, inviting and urging their attendance at the meeting to be held at White Oak.

Meetings were held in turn at Seven Pines, Highland Springs, Glen Lea, Montrose, Creighton and Glen Echo. Owing to the condition of the roads the meeting scheduled at White Oak had to be cancelled.

At each of these meetings talks were made by the several members of the District School Board, which is composed of Frederic M. Barbour, chairman; J. B. Dowden, clerk, and W. F. Gahes, and by the Superintendent of Schools, Arthur D. Wright. After talks by the school officials short talks were made by a number of the patrons and then light refreshments were served by the women of the school improvement league.

The object of these meetings was to lay before the people of the district the condition of schools in the district, discuss the plans of the board for the future, and to get from the patrons such criticisms and suggestions as they felt were for the best interests of the schools. The results attained were gratifying to the school officials, all of whom feel that there is now a decided better understanding between patrons and officials, and that in future there will be greater co-operation in the promotion of the school interests of the district.

SUPERINTENDENT WRIGHT HAS PERFECT PERCENTAGE

If a meeting held at White Oak in November, and which was attended by the superintendent and two of the trustees is counted in help of the meeting that could not be held in January, the total attendance at the several schools would be something over 700, or an average of over 100 at each school. Superintendent Wright scored a perfect percentage, having attended all of the meetings, while the trustees scored thirty out of a possible thirty-five, and would have scored two more but for one of the trustees having to be elsewhere on school business the nights of two of the meetings.

Each white school in Fairfield District now has a prosperous and energetic school league or other similar organization, and each school is comfortably housed, the latest additions to the list of good school houses being the remodelled Atkins school and the new \$25,000 school plant at Highland Springs. Before the end of the present school session it is the hope of the board to have all of the colored schools properly housed, and when that is accomplished Fairfield District will be one of the best equipped school districts in the State.

Among the more progressive enterprises of the schools of the district may be noted domestic science in three of the larger schools, a well-equipped machine shop at Highland Springs, a night school at the same place with attendance nearly two hours, and a well-equipped business course in the high school department, and an automobile truck for the transportation of the pupils. The district employs thirty-four white teachers and twenty colored, and enrolls 1,100 white pupils and 250 colored, making it the largest district in Henrico County, both as to teaching force and school enrollment.

CHICAGO PHYSICIAN MAKES ADDRESS TO MEN

Heard by Large Audience at Y. M. C. A.—Test Vote Favors Inviting Billy Sunday to Richmond.

Dr. Winfield S. Hall, of Chicago, a well-known physician, author and lecturer, concluded a series of lectures here yesterday afternoon, when he addressed 500 men in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium.

Dr. Hall spoke as scientist, physician and man, and through his heart to heart manner and vigorous personality held the strict attention of his hearers for nearly two hours. What he expressed his belief that there should be only one moral standard for both man and woman he was greeted with hearty applause.

Referring to the segregated district, Dr. Hall said he believed the State should erect a home for the unfortunate and train them to do some useful work. "Most of them want to find employment," he said. "It would not be solving the problem to drive them from your city; that would merely be sending them to other towns nearby—Norfolk, Washington or Charlottesville, and that wouldn't be right."

Dr. Hall urged the fathers to get the confidence of their boys and make companions of them. "Take your boy with you on your hunting trips, and camping trips. Teach him the things that will make him grow to be a strong and good man, but be sure you get his confidence."

Dr. Hall used a large chart in illustrating a part of his talk, and explained many recent discoveries of a medical character. He expressed himself hopelessly concerning the development of a



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Obsequious the waiters creep.

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You'd never pick as winners.

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To lack of baths and dinners.

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They have no teas, or blue or pink.

They have no indoor skating rink

At this hotel house by De Gink.

These jobless smiths and tinners.

Do these privations make them weep?

Not they! They've found a place to

sleep.

You kind of sort of, make us think—

You Hotel De Gink.

—New York Globe.

TROOPS FOR YPRES FRONT

AMSTERDAM, January 31 (via London).—Many German troops, destined for the Ypres front, have been concentrated, according to the Telegraf.

Fresh troops are reported assembling on the Yser front, and activity on the Ostend Railway is taken to indicate that another serious effort will be made to break through the allies' lines in Flanders.

The Telegraf prints a report that 2,000 mutinous German troops have been transferred from Roulers to the eastern front.

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